The Secretary is charged with the duty of informing himself fully as to the conditions of the institutions coming under the supervision of the Board, and he is, during the session of the Legislature, subject to the orders of the Finance Committee of the Senate and the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Delegates.

MARYLAND TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM COMMISSION

Institution at State Sanatorium, Frederick County

Ex-Officio Members:

Governor Albert C. Ritchie Comptroller Wm. S. Gordy, Jr. Treasurer John M. Dennis	Salishurv
Appointed Members:	Term Expires.
Charles H. Knapp, Pres1	Baltimore 1937
Dr. H. Warren Buckler, VP	Baltimore1935
Col. Geo. W. Rife, SecTreasI	Baltimore 1937
Dr. J. Hall Pleasants F	Baltimore 1939
Charles SchmidtE	Baltimore 1939
Robert A. Sindall	Baltimore 1935
Dr. Charles H. Conley	rederick 1937
Superintendent and General Superintendent of Tubercular Sana-	
toria, Dr. Victor F. Cullen.	

The Members of this board are appointed for the term of six years. The terms of two expire every legislative year. The Governor, the Comptroller and the Treasurer are ex-officio members of the Board.

The State Sanatorium cares for 508 patients, and Mount Wilson cares for 170 patients. The population of the Eastern Shore Branch is 50 patients. Henryton cares for about 160 patients, all colored.

The State's program for the hospitalization of tubercular patients has been practically completed, and is expected to meet the demands of at least a number of years. The facilities are among the finest in the country, and are recognized everywhere as combining economy in operation and excellence in treatment.

The death rate from tuberculosis has decreased from 165.8 per 100,000 population in 1919 to 90.2 in 1930. Among white people the death rate was reduced from 150.8 in 1917 to 59. The colored death rate was reduced from 413.6 to 240 and now over one-half of the deaths from tuberculosis are among colored people which represents only one sixth of our population.

EASTERN SHORE BRANCH Institution at Salisbury, Md.

Pine Bluff.

Dr. C. D. Steenken, Superintendent.

Chapter 129 of the Acts of 1927 abolished the Eastern Shore Tuberculosis Sanatorium Commission, transferring its powers, etc. to the above Board.